SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

If I Were King.

If I were king—ah, love, if I were king,
What tributary nations would I bring
To stoop before your sceptre and to swear
Allegiance to your lips and eyes and hair!
Beneath your feet what treasures I
would fling:
The stars should be your pearls upon a
string.

string.
The world a ruby for your finger-ring,
And you should have the sun and moon to wear, If I were king.

Let these wild dreams and wilder words take wing,
Deep in the woods I hear a shepherd sing,
A simple balled to a silvan air,
Of leve that ever finds your face more

fair,
I could not give you any godlier thing,
If I were king.

_I. H. McCarthy.

Japanese Cotillon.

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Mrs. George Brockenbrough McAdams has issued invitations for a Japanese cotillon, to be given in the Masonic Temple January 19th, at 9 P. M., when her daughter, Miss Louise McAdams, will be formally introduced to Richmond society.

The guests of honor for the evening will be Miss Edith van Snatvoord, of Troy, N. Y., who will arrive in Richmond Saturday, to visit Miss McAdams, and Miss Mary Ballard, of Louisville, Ky., who is being entertained by Miss Allene Stokes. The young ladies invited are all expected to come in Japanese costume, and the entertainment is looked forward to as being one of the most unique of the winter.

Mrs. Whiteley to Entertain.

Mrs. Calvin Whiteley will entertain at cards Tuesday, January 17th, in honor of Miss Louise McAdams. Mrs. Whiteley has the reputation of giving the prettiest affairs of any hostess in the city, and of always developing some new idea in the way of decoration.

Miss McAdams and Miss McGuire are two of the most popular of the season's debutantes.

debutantes.

Miss Jessie Evans Hazard will be at home to-day. January 11th, from 5 to 7 P. M. Guests are asked to meet her friend. Miss Burwell, of Clarke county.

House Warming.

The Rev. J. J. Haley, the pastor of Seventh Street Christian Church, and Mrs. Haley have just moved into their new home. No. 1530 West Grace Street, and the Auxiliary of the Christian Women's Board of Missions will give a house warming from 3 to 5 this afternoon and from 8 to 11 clock this evening to celested the pagent. brate the event.

In the evening, a musical programme

by the Virginia Olee Club will be agreeably varied by vocal solos from Mrs. Jeter Jones and recitations from Miss Kate Puller. A silver offering for missionary work will be deposited at the door. Mrs. J. Tyler Jobson is chalman of the reception committee. She will be assisted in doing the honors by Mrs. J. J. Haley, Mrs. R. N. Thomas, Mrs. L. C. Daniel, Mrs. Mann S. Quartes, Mrs. W. Y. Davis, Mrs. W. H. McCarthy, Mrs. Rutus Griffin, Mrs. Robert M. Kent, Mrs. William Gooch and Miss Spratley. Mrs. W. L. Sydnor is chalman of the programme committee. Associated with her are Miss laabel Hill, Mrs. W. W. Wright, Mr. Joe White and Mrs. L. A. by the Virginia Glee Club will be agree

a bouquet of malden hair ferns, was maid of honor. Mr. Edward S. Christ, of Philiadelphia, was best him to the groom.

The bride is the very attractive daughter of Mrs. S. E. Heath. The groom formerly resided in Baltimore, but is now well established in business in New York city. Mr. and Mrs. Heitshew, accompanied by the maid of honor and best may left vestered for Baltimore, where man, left yesterday for Baltimore, where they will be given a reception to-night, The young couple will be at nome in New York after January 20th.

The friends of Miss Rosa Moss in Richmond and virginia will be interested in the followink account of her marriage on January 3d, taken from the Galveston Daily News of January 4th, which says: The residence of Mr. and Mrs. George D. Briggs was the scene of a very pretbriggs with the scene of a very pret-ty home wedding yesterday afternoon, when at 3 o'clock their nicee, Miss Rosa Moss, was married to Mr. Thaddeus Clark, of Washington, D. C., the Rev. J. K. Black, rector of Grace Episcopal Church, officiating, Over two hundred friends of the bride and her family witnessed the ceremony.

ceremony.
The home was beautifully decorated, the prevailing colors being white and pink. The front parlor was decorated with pink roses and carnations and ferns. At one roses and carnations and ferms. At one side of the room was a large basket of pink said red carnations and ferms with a wedding bell suspended from the handle. The back parlor, where the ceremony was performed, was decorated entirely in white and green. Before a crescent of ferms, with a white base, and beneath an arch formed by two tall palms, the pridal pair stood. The mantel of the large fireplace was a profusion of ferms, forming a very pretty background.

The dining room, where refreshments

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Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fall to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Professor Charles Ellot Norton.

OPPORTUNITY.

By JOHN J. INGALLS.

John James Ingalis was born in Massachuseits in 1833, and was graduated from Williams College in 1855. He was admitted to the bar in 1857, and removed to Atchison, Kan., in 1858. He took an active interest in the exciting Kansas politics, and besides serving as a delegate to the Wandotte convention that framed the State Consideration he served as Secretary to the Territorial Council. In 1862 he was a state Benator. He edited the Atchison Champion for three years and served in the State Benator. In 1873 he was elected to the United States Sanate, and then began his remarkable brilliant political career. After serving twenty years he was retired by the political revolution in his State. As an orator he hold high rank. He frequently contributed to the leading magazines and fevilews. He died about two years ago.

Fame, love, and fortune on my footsteps wait, * Cities and fields I walk; I penetrate Deserts and seas remote, and, passing by Hovel, and mart, and palace, soon or late I knock unbidden once at every gate! If sleeping, wake-if feasting, rise before I turn away. It is the hour of fate, And they who follow me reach every state Mortals desire, and conquer every foe Save death; but those who doubt or hesitate Condemned to failure, penury and woe, Seek me in vain and uselessly implore-I answer not, and I return no more.

ASTER of human destinies am I.



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ply decorated. A table occupied the center of the room. A bouquet of white carnations and roses formed the centerplece, and white ribbons suspended from the chandeller above were carried to each corner and tied in large bows. In one corner of the room fruit punch was served. The bridal party marched down the stairway to the strains of the wedding march from "Lohengrin," rendered by Professor Blood and Professor Naschke upon the plane and violin.

The ribbon bearers, Miss Patience Groce

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Mrs. W. L. Sydnor is chairman of the programme committee. Associated with her are Miss Isabel Hill, Mrs. W. W. Wright, Mr. Joe White and Mrs. L. A. Stall. The refreshment committee is directed by Mrs. Furner, and includes Mrs. T. M. Hundley, Mrs. Filppo, Mrs. W. E. Pierce, Mrs. D. A. Brown, Mrs. Julian Misson and Mrs. James Spleer.

Hitcshew—Heath.

A very pretty wedding celebration was witnessed yesterday forenoon at 11 c'clock, in the home of the bride, No. 216 Governor Street, when the marriage of Miss Maud C. Heath and Mr. Thornton S. Heitshew took place, the Rev. Thomas Semms of ficiatings.

The parlors were handsomely grouped with palms and flowers. The bride came in brown cloth, with brown veived hat and brown gloves. Her flowers were velotes. Her slster, Miss Celeste Heath, wearing lavender crepe de chine, a picture hat in lavender tulle and carrying a bouquet of malden hair ferns, was maid of honor, Mr. Edwards Chesta Heath, wearing lavender crepe de chine, a picture hat in lavender tulle and carrying a bouquet of malden hair ferns, was maid of honor, Mr. Edwards Chesta Heath, wearing lavender crepe de chine, a picture hat in lavender tulle and carrying a bouquet of malden hair ferns, was maid of honor, Mr. Edwards Chesta Heath, wearing lavender crepe de chine, and Miss Settle. They were deline, hand embroided the wear of the valley and Miss Junet Findlay, drossed in white, led the procession. They were followed by Rev. Black, rector of Grace Episcopal Christian Chri

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Clark—Moss.

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which was received here and which came their arrival there. One present, however, which was received here and which came from Washington, was a beautiful clock in a glass case, given by Mr. Chrik's coworkers. Mrs. Clark's presents to her bridesmaids were pretty stickpins; and the bridesmaids presented her with a beautiful silver salad set, in satin case. The list of presents includes cut glass dishes of every description, tea sets, after-dinner coffee set, silverware, pictures and dinner coffee set, silverware, pictures and numerous other articles, both useful and

Pleasant Social.

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Misses Mary Germeinan and Ella Felvey entertained quite a number of friends at a social in their home a few evenings ago. Music, both vocal and instrumental, and parlor games, and music by the West End Angels were the pleasant feutures of the evening. Among those present were Misses Annie Williams, Louise Pohlig, Jennie McDonough, Florence Germelman, Maggie Williams, Lizzle Alston, Pauline Duke, Neille Dean, Mamie Felvey, Evelin Dillard, Maude Clary, Addle Alston, Alwina Germelman, Mangie Overstreet, Genevieve Williams, Minnie McQuade, Essie Germelman, Minnie Burkert, Mamie Balkowski, Dora Germelman, Ruth Germelman, Coral Clary; Messrs, Willie Germelman, George Childress, Harry Lucy, Ernest Germelman, Harvey Dillard, Dewitt Felvey, William Vial, Charlie Felvey, Sam Harrison, Bennie Holmes, George Balkowski, John Felvey, Burfon. lard, Dewitt Felvey, William Vial, Charlie Felvey, Sam Harrison, Bennie Holmes, George Ballkowski, John Felvey, Burfoot Childress, Walter White, Honry Germei-man, Charlie Ballkowski, Charlie Kane, Joseph Steinburg, Frank Chappell, Ray England, John Williams, Fred Germei man, and Mesdames Willie Dillard, F. C. Germeiman, C. A. Felvey, John Williams and many others.

Whist at Jefferson Club.

The whist game played by members of Beth Ahabah Auxiliary, at the Jetferson Club last afternoon was a great success. The game was splendidly managed by Mrs. A. L. Straus. Twenty-two tables engaged.

The winers of critical

The winners of prizes were: First, Mrs. Munroe Lovy; second, Miss Beulah Eichel; third, Miss Rebecca Whitlock.

Kasten-Tomlinson. The wedding of Miss Edith Tomlinson, the daughter of Mrs. Charles R. Tomlinson, to Mr. Herman Emile Kasten will be celebrated at 8 P. M. to-day in the home of the bride, the Rev. Paul Menrel, of St. John's German Evangelical Church,

Out-of-Town Society.

Monday evening, January 9th, was the date of Mrs. Astor's annual ball, for which her Fifth Avenue home, in New

which her Fifth Avenue home, in New York city, and that of her son, Mr. John Jacob Astor, were thrown open,
Mrs. Astor, assisted by Miss Constance Knower, flancee of her grandson, Mr. H. Coleman Drayton, received the guests in the drawing room of her own house. She wore a superb costume of royal purple velvet, over nel plue sain. The holdes velvet, over pale blue satin. of velvet was embroidered with pallettes of gold in elaborate design and combined with cream lace and pale blue tulle. The petticoat, of Marie Antoinette effect, was of blue satin, and the long train of purple

of blue satin, and the long train of purple velvet.

Mrs. Astor were magnificent jewels, including a stomacher and corsage ornament of diamonds, a riviere of solitaires and a tiara of the same gems. Miss Knower was charming in a dainty frock of white chiffon and lace.

The New York Herald of vesterday The New York Herald of yesterday

As might be expected, with the social As might be expected, with the social preliminaries of the evening elsewhere, the company did not assemble until very late. After conventional greetings the ball room, which is also the pleture gallery, was sought out, and thore dancing was general until after midnight. Lander's orchestra played for dancing and niso during supper, which was served by Sherry at small tables placed in the dilning rooms of both houses. The menu

dining rooms of both houses. The menu Consomme store Terrapin, Supreme de Poussins Courcel, Canard Canvasback, Gelee. Consomme Moluske.

Canard Canvasuaca,

Hominy.

Pate de Fole Gras en Croute.

Salad Oriental.

Mousce au Fraises frais.

Marrons Glaces.

Potits Fours.

Mandarins Glaces.

Cafe.

Chandou Imperial Brut.

Cafe.

Moet & Chandon Imperial Brut.
Apollinaris.

It was after supper and after 1 o'clock that formal daneing began, with a spirited cotilion, Messrs, Elsha Dyer, Jr., and Henry S. Lehr leading, with Mrs, John Jacob Astor and Mrs. Orme Wilson from either end. There was about one hundred couples in the dance, and the favors, which had been prepared by Mrs. Collins, were exceptionally attractive. They included for the women Directoire cames, feather pens, maypoles garlanded with cluded for the women Directoire canes, feather pens, maypoles garlanded with flowers, bells and ribbons, letter cases, flurines in costumes of all countries and tiny jardineres filled with flowers. For the men there were combination stamp boxes and paper weights, pen where of wrought leather with the royal English colors, boutonnieres, automobile horns attached to colored ribbons, dog whips tipped with silver, and gold pencils. As there were two leaders for the cotilion it was danced quickly.

No more dazzling display of superb costumes and jewels has been seen at any private entertainment here than that of last evening at Mrs. Astor's ball. The

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Lot 3-Balance of our stock of Sults that sold for \$22,50 and \$24,50;

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Entire stock of Middy Suits, suitable for girls of 12, 14, and 16 years, made of excellent materials and nobby youthful styles; prices, were \$17.50, to \$35,00;

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Tourist Coats, 8-4 length or full length Coats, either, on strapped backs. Materials used are Tan Covert Cloth, English Mixtures and Black Broadcloth and Kerseys.

Entire stock in five lots: Lot 1-\$10:50 and \$8.50 Coats, now | Lot 2-\$16.50 and \$12:50 Coats, now Lot 3-\$22.50 and \$19.50 Coats, now Lot 4-\$26.50 and \$24.50 Coats, now

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\$2.50 and \$1.98 Dressing Sacques, now...

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\$4.50 Elderdown Wrappers and Kimonas, now...

\$3.50 Elderdown Wrappers and Kimonas, now...

Silk Petticoats at Cut Prices.

scene was brilliant in the extreme, and the following are only a few among hundreds of toilets, equally remarked for their taste and elegance:

The Duchess of Manchester were a beautiful gown of white maline and net combroidered in silver; her ornaments were pearls and diamonds.

The Countess du Temple de Rougemont—Orange chiffon covered with white chiff-ANNUAL REPORT

were pearls and dlamonds.

The Countess du Tomple de Rougemont—
Orange chiffon covered with white chiffon and trimmed with macre paillettes;
dlamond collar and dlamond ornaments
on the corsage and in the colffure.

Mrs. John Jacob Astor—White satin,
covered with silver ombroidered lace;
tiara of dlamonds and plastron of dlamonds, with tassels of the same jowels
across the front of the corsage.

Mrs. E. Kip-McCreery—Copper colored
chiffon heavily pailletted with steel of a
deeper shade; ornaments of pearls,
Mrs. Vanderbilt—White chiffon velvet,
combined with lace; ornaments of dlamonds and pearls.

Mrs. Ogden Mills—Steel gray chiffon,
spangled with silver and trimmed with
tuille; dlamond tiara, and necklace with
pendants of the same jowels.

Mrs. Sidney Dillon Ripley—White lace,
elaborately spangled with silver; ornaments of dlamonds and pearls.

Mrs. Henry S. Lehr—Yellow satin brocade, trimmed with beauliful old lace;
tiara of dlamonds; collier, necklace and
large pendant of dlamonds and sapphires.

Mrs. George Jay Gould—Peacock, blue
chiffon over satin; tiara and necklace of
dlamonds and sapphires.

Mrs. Orme Wilson—White tuile, smbroidered in silver, dlamond necklace of
dlamonds and sapphires.

Mrs. Sidney J. Salith—White tuile ambroidered in silver, dlamond necklace and
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Mrs. J. Lee Tailer—Mauve satin com-

bined with lace and chiffon.

Mrs. Charles B. Alexander—White safir crnaments of diamonds and pearls, Mrs. Oliver H. P. Belmont-Shrimp pink satin covered with orange chiffon, Span-gled with gold; ornaments of diamonds. Mrs. Frederic Neilson-White satin bro-pade, with trimmings of sable and silver

Mrs. Charles H. Marshall—Blue, white and pink pompadour chiffon over satin; penri and diamond ornaments. Miss Alice Hasell—White satin, Princess, trimmed with old lace and pearls.

Personal Mention.

Miss Louise McAdams and Miss Court-enay Crump left last night for the Uni-versity of Virginia where they will be among the number of pretty Richmond girls attending the midwinter german given in the Fayerweather gymnasium by the University German Club.

Miss Lily Hill is visiting friends in New York city,

Dr. and Mrs. William Russell Jones are spending a few days at the Kirkwood Hotel, on Canden Heights, Camden, South Carolina. Their wedding in Monumental Church was a society event of last Thursday.

Misses Williams, of Fauquier county, are the guests of Mrs. Hugh Taylor, No. 6 North Fifth Street.

The death of Bettina Girard, the actress, recalls her to Richmond people who know her during her petted childhood and girlhood, when she lived in Richmond with her parents, General and Mrs. Ordbutt and eccupied the house on West Franklin Street, now owned by Mrs. Charles Skinker.

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The engagement has been announced of Miss Ellzabeth Turnbull, daughter of Dr. L. B. Turnbull, of Lexington, Va., and a former Mary Baidwin Sominary student, and Mr. Bernard, of Petersburg, graditate and later sub-professor at the Virginia Military Institute, and now a law student at Washington and Lee University.

The Staunton News says in the society column;
Among those who attended the presentation of the grand opera, "Carmen," in Richmond last Friday was Miss Elizabeth Burnell Jones, of Staunton, a guest of the Misses McGuire, on Grace Street, Richmond. Miss Jones has been the recipient of much social attention in Richmond.

Miss Agnes Mayo is visiting Miss Ethel Charles, in Newport News.

Miss Harnsberger, of Harrisonburg, Va., who has been spending several months delightfully in Danville and Roanoke, is now at No. 215 East Franklin Street, this city, as her friends will be nieused to note. Miss Harnsberger expects her cousin, Miss Bear, to John her this week. Misses Ellis and Burt have returned from Waverly, Va., to the Woman's Col-

Miss Annie Lee Penn, of Danville, gave a beautiful enchre purty last week in honor of Mrs. W. Fredway Gravely, a bride of this season.

Owing to illness, Mrs. William R. Robins, No. 17 South Third Street, will not be at home to her friends Wednesday afternoon.

Supper to Cabmen. A supper was given the cabinen attached to the Hicks stables by Mr. T. H. Hicks himself at Thompson's restaurant Monday night. The cambles had a fine time.

This Department Shown to be in Very Fine Shape.

FEW BIG FIRES DURING YEAR

New Engine Company and Other Improvements Are Recommended.

report of the Board of Fire Commission ers, which was read at the meeting o the Board of Aldermen last night and

The fire department has responded to 232 alarms and we are glad to say that the losses have been small, although there were several serious fires; notably, the partial destruction of the "steamer Pocahontas," and the fire at R. A. Pattersor Tobacco Company; these were the mos dangerous, but they were confined to parative small space.

We have in active service nine engine nd three trucks, and two engines in re

Public Buildings.

Under ordinances adopted by your hon orable body, the work of the heard and the department has assumed proportion and responsibilities beyond those speci-fied in our charter; we refer particularly fled in our charter; We refer particularly to the storage of explosives, the eare of public and semi-public buildings, which includes churches and places of public amusement, and the establishment of regulations and rules for these places, to-

gether with the issuance of permits. We, therefore, repeat as in all other an We, therefore, repeat as in all other annual reports our recommendation for the appointment of a building inspector, together with proper legislation on that subject. This officer can relieve us and will possess the necessary qualifications to supervise all plans for buildings to be erected, and all buildings in course of execution, and you will then in this ap-

erected, and all buildings in course of erection; and you will then in this appointment imitate every progressive city in the country.

The introduction of steel and other kindred modern buildings ought to be officially investigated and you should not wait for some accident or calamity to arouse sentiment.

church was a control of day.

The regular monthly meeting of the Richmond Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held at 4 o'clock this afternoon in Lee Camp Hall. Annual dues will be collected and arrangements will be made for the annual tea. All members are requested to be present.

Mrs. G. J. Freedley and Miss Freedley will be informally at home, No. 181 Monument Avenue, Fridays in January from 4 to 6 o'clock.

Mrs. F. Denne Meanley desires that all sales of tickets for the colonial ball all sales of tickets for the colonial ball and a supported to her at an early date.

We further ask that your honorable body increase the number of permanent men, and to substitute in the sky companies located in the center of the city, what is known as stationed fremen, in-stead of "call men" now attached to those companies, and to also increase the number of "stationed men" in onsine companies Nos. 1, 6 and 8, and truck company No. 3, by one additional "stationed man."

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We also recommend the establishment of a new engine company to be known as No. 10, to be placed in the quarters creeted on Broad Street, just west of Lombardy.

One of our most important companies, ongine company No. 4, located on Third Street, between Broad and Grace Streets, is now in such cramped quarters, that it is most important that some provision be made, at no distant day, for the improvement of these conditions.

This department responded to twenty-two alarms of fire in Henrico county and in doing so sustained damages approximating 381:38, which the county cheerfully reimbursed.

reimbursed. The new quarters for No. 3 Truck Com

pany have been completed within the appropriation, and the Board in their wisdom constructed it sufficiently large to accommodate the additional engine company that we ask you to place in complete. commission, . We have also built a new combination

We have also built a new combination chemical engine and hose wagon to go into the quarters of No. 6 Engine Company, located at Laurel and Cumberland Streets.

We again ask you to increase the expense account of the Fire Department, which is now the same as was fixed in _____, seventeen years ago. As we have doubled the department it is necessary to have more money appropriated to this account.

more money appropriated to this account.

We have five engines that have been in service from ten to twenty-five years, and they are gradually becoming weak and worn out, and the same is true of a number of our horses, and as this department bought all of these quantities from their own appropriation, at once when necessary, it is urgent that we should be in a position to keep the engines, horses and hose in the best condition. We might nossibly neglect other minor matters, but the above must always be ready for work.

Discipline Good.

Our discipline remains first class, and the force is always ready for duty and obedient to the laws; and we wish it acknowledge the intalligent services of our chief, avsistant chief and the other

officers and men of this department. They have an organization of their own which provides small death benefits, and an appreciative public have supplemented their funds by personal donations, but the fact remains that these valuable servants in many cases are becoming old, in fact, too old for service, such as is required in this donartment and there quired in this department, and there should be some provision made for them should be some provision made for them by refiring them on reduced pay and lighter work.

The extension of the water system has been of great benefit, and we desire to record our appreciation of the perfect harmony that exists between the water and our any counterpart. and our own department.

We desire to recommend to your honorable bedy that a light hook and ladder truck company be installed in the eastern part of the city, on Church Hill. The

officers and men of this department.

nearest truck company to this thickly settled and growing community is located at Eighteenth and Grace Streets, and, as this company is especially intended to protect mercantile and factory districts, its apparatus is necessarily very heavy, and in responding to alarms on Church Hill, it must ascend steep graces, and with heavy machine and its long

and with heavy machine and its long runs, the ladder service in this castern district is entirely inadequate.

The Fire Alarm Department gives perfect satisfaction, and through all the serious storms it worked perfectly, which is due to the intelligent manner that Superintendent W. H. Thompson and his Superintendent W. H. Thompson and his efficient corps attended to their duties. This department is sailly in need of a suitable building for their teams and wagons, and we recommend that the necessary provisions be made for the same.

SHESTNUT HILL AND HIGHLAND PARK

Miss Annie Perry, of Orange county, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Mortimer McCluer, of First Avenue, who has been quite sick for several weeks past, is slowly improving.

The Earnest Workers' Society, of Mizpah Presbyterian Church, will hold its regular monthly meeting next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the "manse."

Mr. Joseph Blair, of Sparianburg, S. C., was the guest lesis week of friends on the "Hill."

Little lansing Eubunk, who has been quite sick, is now somewhat improved.

Usual midweck sevening at 8 o'clock. Conduct of the pastor, Rev. D. K.—Walthall.

Mr. Jouls Shafer has returned to his home on Third Avenue, after spending some time with friends in Fredericksburg, va.

The Margaret Bottoms Circle of King's Daughters, held its regular monthly meeting last Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Christian Goodall, on Third Avenue.

Mrs. Mortimer McCluer, who has been con-

Bowman, Lella Wings, wood Lewis, Intermediate B-Edna Bowman, Intermediate B-Maude Tiller, Ber Levis B-Maude B-Junior Be-Maude Tiller, Bessie Carter, Emily Cross, Roy Cross, Mary Starke, Bertha Marshall, Bettle Ratellife, Christian Wool-ridge, Harvey Rato iffe Mrs, Wilder still continues quite sick at her home on Fourth Avenue.

FAIRMOUNT NEWS.

Mr. William H Heckier has been confined to his home several days by sickness.

Miss Gay Lynch has returned home after spending some time with friends at Atlee.

Louis Veriander, who has been engaged in business in Nawport News for some time, and who was the guest of the family of W. G. Tucker last week, has returned to his home at Atlee, Hanover county son. Stuart, who were the guests of Mrs. Manlo Miller, here recordly, have returned to their home, in Grewe, Va.

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arr, and arrs. Watter Beadles last week, have returned home.
Mrs. F. C. Brauer and children, Katherine, Hazel and William Thomas Brauer, who have been visiting her purents on Twenty-fifth Street, will return to their home in Brooklys, N. Y. to-day, Mrs. Edward Dayls is improving after quite a severe attack of grip.

BARTON HEIGHTS.

Mr. Fred E. Davison has returned home af-er a most pleasant visit to friends and rela-Mr. Fred E. Davison has returned home actives in Lunenburg county.

Miss G. W. Luncaster, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. S. P. Jones, has left for her home in Petersburg.

Miss Luoy Dabney Jones, who has been visiting on the Heights, has returned to her liome in Petersburg.

Mr. M. D. Smith has left for Spotsylvania to visit his purents, John Haupt, has been visiting his parents, Mr and Mrs. J. P. Haupt, has left for Backsburs.

Miss Margaret Read, of Bay View, is the gues. of Mrs. J. A. Marshall, is the guest of Mr. Jack Smith.

Roll of honor at the Barton Heights school for the week ending Junuary 6th:

Intermediate Grade—Stella James, Ethel Blinford, Addia Kuyk and Grace Ward, Elizabeth Jeter, Erlith Ragiant and Edia Criffin, Sixth Grammar Grade—Trene Herneller.

Woodward and Bride—France Honolines.

Junior A Grade-Grace Chamberiain, Eijzabeth Jeter, Egilth Ragland and Edna Griffin,
Sixth Grammar Grade-Moilio Duval, Beasle
Woodward and Evelyn Carpenter.
Fifth Grammar Grade-Emma Hopkins.
Fourth Grammar Grade-Maude Kuyk,
Helen Rose, Taylor Pitt and Henry Tuylor,
Sevanth Primary Grade-Lizabeth Armstrong, Mary Carpenter and Lillian Noble.
Sxth Primary Grade-Elliott Baughan, Almer Homer, Estello Jones, Dora Given and
Conway Zukle
Third Primary Grade-Elliott Baughan, Almer Homer, Estello Jones, Dora Given and
Conway Zukle
Third Primary Grade-Thomas Armstrong,
Archie Leach, Ashby Penseley, Malcolm Pitt,
Edwin Roden, George Richardson, Helen
Denel, Richard Taylor, Alice Whitehurst and
Ruth Traylor.
First Primary Grade-Wade Minter, Willie
Mans ni, Heulah Leach, Alice Crutchfield,
Pearl Harding, Mary Lightner, Grade Turner,
Mary Gregory and Fensel-Carlton Moffat.
Miss British Goodwyn, of Notioway, will be
Monierio Avenue, this week.
Miss Ruby Crenshaw has returned bome aftry a pleasant trip to Washington.
There will be the usual choir rehearsal at
the Epiphany Church on Wednesday night;
Miss Mary Johnson, who has been visiting
Mrs. Charles Robinson, has left for her home,
in Baltimore.

Supreme Court Proceedings.

Proceedings of the Supreme Court of Apeuls yes erday were: Wheelwright and others vs. the Common-Wheelwright and others vs. city of Rich-was th; submitted.

Gates & Son Company vs. city of Rich-mond; motion by plaintiff to advance.

Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke Company, vs.
Roberts of als: submitted on briofs.

Johnson and others vs. Black and others.

Norfolk and Western Railway Company vs.
town of Suffolk Argued by George S. Bernard
for plaintiff in error, and J. U. Burgess for
defendant in error, and submitted.

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